

Group Home Egress Requirements

All rooms being used for sleeping must have a second way out that leads directly to the outside. This will usually be a window. If there is more than one window, at least one must meet the following requirements.

If the group home has a sprinkler system, the window egress requirements do not apply.

Measure the window when it is **open**.

- 1) Must be a minimum of 20 inches in width.
- 2) Must be a minimum of 24 inches in height.
- 3) The width multiplied by the height must be a minimum of 821 square inches.
- 4) The bottom of the window must be less than 44 inches off the floor.
(If the bottom of the window is more than 44 inches, one step may be attached to the wall. The step can be no more than 7 inches tall.)

